Upcoming Events...

36th Annual Friends' Fall Book Sale



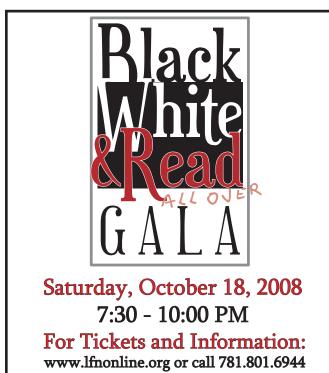
Saturday, October 4th 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM Sunday, October 5th 1:00 - 4:00 PM

Sunday is Bargain Day! Sponsored by the Friends of the Needham Public Library.

Politics with William Mayer Thurs., October 9th 7:00 PM

Dr. William G. Mayer, Associate Professor of Political Science -Northeastern University will speak about the upcoming Fall Presidential

Elections. Sponsored by the Library Foundation of Needham.



For further information about upcoming events, go to www.needhamma.gov/library.

This event is locally sponsored by:

Roche Bros.

Presenting Sponsor

KLS Magic Castle Puppet Theater: A Pirate's Missing Pumpkin Halloween Show

Sat., October 25th 10:30 AM "A Pirate's Missing Pumpkin" is a puppet performance with lots of fun and mystery. A pirate pulls his ship to shore in hopes of recovering his missing... and magical pumpkin which finds him many

treasures in the sea. Meanwhile, Frances the Fish has been lost somewhere and all the sea creatures are concerned because Frances has been so caring about all the life in the oceans. Can you guess who hides in a pumpkin patch not far from the ocean? Who does the Missing Pumpkin help?... Come and join us for this magical puppet presentation.

Author Eve LaPlante: Salem Witch Judge: The Life and Repentance of Samuel Sewall

Tues., October 28th 7:00 PM



Eve LaPlante, a sixth great-grand-daughter of Samuel Sewall, will speak about the life of her famous ancestor Salem Witch Judge Samuel Sewall, the only person to make

public repentance over his actions and the only Salem Witch Judge to make amends. There will be an autographing session following the presentation. Books will be available for sale. Sponsored by the Library Foundation of Needham.

Library Hours:

Mon. - Thurs. 9:00am - 9:00pm Fridays 9:00am - 5:30pm Saturdays 9:00am - 5:00pm Sundays 1:00pm - 5:00pm



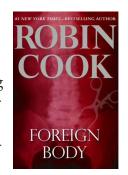
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NEEDHAM FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY Welcome to *Library Notes*, a monthly publication of the Needham Free Public Library. Each month we'll give you a synopsis of the monthly goings-on and events happening at the Library, as well as highlighting ongoing services.....

Best-Selling Author Robin Cook, MD, Tuesday, September 9 at 7:30 PM

Author Robin Cook will discuss his new novel *Foreign Body*, set in India and the United States. Widely credited with introducing the word "medical" to the thriller genre with his first novel, *Coma*, Robin Cook will talk about medical tourism, the theme of this



novel, and about his work and life including the prequel to *Foreign Body* produced on the web by Michael Eisner. *Foreign Body* is his 28th national bestseller; he has been translated into 40 languages and has sold more than one hundred million copies. This year's event will conclude with a book signing. Seating will be available on a firstcome basis. *Sponsored by the Library Foundation of Needham. Books courtesy of Wellesley Booksmith.*

Anna's Shtetl - Author Lawrence Cobin Wednesday, September 24 at 7:00 PM



Anna Spector was born in 1905 in Korsun, a Ukrainian town on the Ros River, eighty miles south of Kiev. Korsun and its fluid ethnic population were characteristic of the Pale of Settlement in Eastern Europe: comprised of Ukrainians, Cossacks, Jews and other groups living uneasily together in

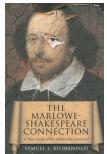
relationships punctuated by violence.

Anna left in 1919, having lived through the Great War, the Bolshevik Revolution, and part of the ensuing civil war, as well as several episodes of more or less organized pogroms—deadly anti-Jewish riots begun by various invading military detachments during the Russian Civil War and joined by some of Korsun's peasants. Her rare account, the product of some 300 interviews, is valuable because most personal memoirs of ghetto life are written by men. Although the Jewish communities in Eastern Europe are now virtually gone, less than 100 years ago they counted a population of millions. Come and hear about this dark period of history - the book will be available for sale and autographing following the presentation.

September 2008

Needham Author Samuel L. Blumenfeld -

The Marlowe-Shakespeare Connection: A New Study of the Authorship Question



Monday, September 29th at 7:00 PM

This book addresses the long-standing debate over the Shakespeare authorship problem and offers a daring solution: that the true author of the works attributed to Shakespeare was in fact poet and playwright Christopher Marlowe. Citing substantial and compelling evidence, Mr. Blumenfeld outlines several hypotheses to support his case, including the theory that several top people in Queen Elizabeth's government were involved in the plot to save Marlowe (who was reportedly a spy in the Secret Service.) The book will be available for purchase and autographing following the presentation.

What's happening this month in the Children's Room...

September Storytimes

Lap-sit Baby Book Time - for ages up to 2 1/2 Wed., Sept. 3, 10, 24 10:00 - 10:20 AM We read stories, sing songs, do rhymes, and fingerplays for about 20 minutes.

Toddler Time for ages 2 1/2 - 4

Thurs., Sept. 4, 25

10:00 AM

We read stories, sing songs, and more for 30 minutes

Preschool Stories for ages 3 - 5

Tues., Sept. 2, 23, 30 We read stories, sing songs, and play games for about 30 minutes



Stories from around the world for PreK - Gr.1 Tues., Sept. 2, 9, 23, 30 4:00 - 4:30 PM

We will be reading stories from around the world for about 30 minutes

Story times are drop-in - no registration required. All children must be accompanied by an adult.

September Craft Activities

Creative Kids Craft: for ages 5 - 7

Thurs., Sept. 11th 4:00 PM Registration required, maximum of 15 children.

Craft for ages 3 - 5

Thurs., Sept. 25th 4:00 PM Registration required, maximum of 15 children.

September Music Activities

Sing-Along with Ed Morgan

Thurs., Sept. 4th 3:00 PM



For children 2.9-5 years accompanied by an adult. This is a drop-in program - please arrive on time.

Music, Movement and Me with Sara Epstein

Tues., Sept. 9th 9:30 AM Fri., Sept 26th 10:00 AM

An interactive music and movement program for children ages 0-4 and adults. Registration required - max. 20 children &



accompaning adult. Registration begins approx. 1 week before program and is limited to one session only.

Ready, Set...Move with Cici Hunt: for ages 3-5

Thurs., Sept 11th 11:00 AM Thurs., Sept 18th 11:00 AM

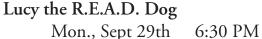


Join Cici Hunt in this fun-filled music and movement class for children and their caretakers. Registration is required.

September Reading Events

Read-Aloud Book Club for 1st & 2nd Graders

Wed., Sept. 24th 4:00 PM This month we will be reading *Young* Cam Jansen and the Missing Cookie by David Adler, do some fun activities, and have a discussion about the book. Registration is required and limited to 15 children in rising grades 1-2.



Join Lucy, a black lab, and Pat Howes (first grade teacher at Newman) for a great program that encourages children to read! To learn more about Lucy and this program, go to: http://fcw. needham.k12.ma.us/~lucy_the_ dog/S0159F92.



Registration is required and limited to 15 children.

September Programs in the Community Room

Children's Singer Mr. Kim Webster

Saturday, Sept. 27th 10:30 AM



Mr. Kim integrates music and puppetry to entertain and educate your musical minds. An accomlished guitarist and songwriter, Mr.

Kim's music program incorporates fun movement exercises and handplay to introduce such concepts as rhythm and tonality. Come join us for this fun family event.

Children's Movie: The Little Mermaid - Ariel's Beginning

Friday, Sept. 26th Long ago in a kingdom where music is outlawed King Triton's youngest daughter Ariel discovers her love for music in a secret underground music club. Torn with the choice of whether to hide her passion or share it

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with her father and risk losing everything Ariel sets off on a daring adventure to restore music to Atlantica. (Rated G - 77 min)

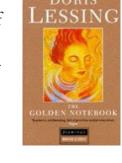
NPL Book Group

Tuesday, Sept. 9th 1:00 PM

This months' selection:

The Golden Notebook by Doris Lessing

"The Golden Notebook" tells the story of writer Anna Wulf and the crises she faces in her personal, political and professional life. Confounded by writer's block, the ferociously independent Wulf explores her situation in four note-



books, one for each of the strands in her life. "The Golden Notebook" is the one in which, struggling to retain her sanity, she brings these strands together.

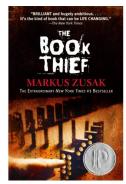
NPL Evening Book Group

Wednesday, Sept. 17th 7:00 PM

This months' selection:

The Book Thief by Markus Zusak

Set during World War II in Germany, Liesel Meminger, a foster girl living outside of Munich, scratches out a meager existence for herself by stealing. With the help of



her accordion-playing foster father, she learns to read and shares her stolen books with her neighbors during bombing raids. This is an unforgettable story about the ability of books to feed the soul.

Appearing this month in the Friends' Gallery:

Dan Callahan - "Scenes from Life" **Display Cases:**

Rebecca Kinney -

"Baby Hats and Children's Books"